Arrest warrant issued for Musa Maneka in servant shooting case

SAHIWAL: Senior Civil Judge Masood Ahmed Faridi on Saturday issued an arrest warrant for Musa Maneka, the younger son of Khawar Maneka and Bushra Bibi, over his repeated absence from the court proceedings.

Mr Musa is the main accused in a case of a domestic servant over a minor dispute at his residence in the Pir Ghani area of Pakpattan on July 17, 2025.

The judge directed the Pakpattan Saddar Police to arrest Musa Maneka and present him before the court on November 19.

A case was registered against Mr Musa at the Saddar police station after getting enraged when his 18-year-old servant, Ali Bahadur, removed bedsheets from his room without his permission.

In a fit of anger, Musa allegedly fired a 30-bore pistol at Ali, hitting him in the left knee. The bullet passed through his leg. Witnesses claimed that Mr Musa then threatened other household servants with similar consequences if they attempted to assist the injured servant.

A call was later made to the police, prompting District Police Officer (DPO) Javed Iqbal Chadhar and a team of the Saddar police to reach the scene.

DPO Chadhar reportedly confronted Musa Maneka and took him into custody and also recovered the weapon used in the incident. Ali Bahadur, a resident of Chak Alam Hatayka, had been employed at the Maneka residence for the past two years. After the shooting, he was transported to the Pakpattan District Headquarters Hospital by Rescue 1122.

A case was registered against Musa at Saddar Police Station on the complaint of Ali's father, Manzoor.

Musa Maneka is also a key suspect in a Rs113.1 million corruption case alongside his father Khawar Maneka and brother Ibrahim Maneka. Ibrahim has been declared an absconder after reportedly fleeing to Spain. The case has been under investigation at the Anti-Corruption Establishment (ACE) regional office for the past two years. The Maneka trio, along with Excise Inspector Allah Nawaz, Patwari Muhammad Ashraf, and Auqaf Manager Shafqat, were named in a reference filed by the then Okara deputy commissioner on August 23, 2023. — **Correspondent**

Punjab bar hails formation of FCC

LAHORE: The Punjab Bar Council (PbBC) has welcomed the 27th Amendment, saying the establishment of a constitutional court has long been a legitimate and longstanding demand of the citizens of Pakistan.

In a joint statement, PbBC vice chairman Ashfaq Kahoot and its executive committee's chairman Zabiullah Nagra expressed their satisfaction and appreciation for the establishment of the federal constitutional court (FCC) and expected that it would enhance constitutional governance and strengthen the overall justice system.

At present, Ahsan Bhoon-led independent group of lawyers, famously known as Asma Jahangir group, enjoys majority in 75-member house of the provincial bar council. The official result of the recently held bar council's election for the five-year term is expected to be announced on Nov 17.

The statement said the insertion of the FCC in the Charter of Democracy signed by the political parties including PPP and PML-N further reinforced its constitutional and democratic relevance.

It observed that the parliament, being the supreme legislative body under the Constitution, is fully empowered and within its constitutional mandate to pass all necessary amendments for the welfare, stability, and betterment of the country.

The statement asserted that the creation of the constitutional court would be beneficial for all citizens, as it will streamline constitutional adjudication and reduce the burden on existing courts.

The statement made it clear that if any person or group attempts to create hurdles, mislead the public, or initiate false propaganda against the constitutional amendment for political motives, the PbBC, a regulatory body, would take appropriate legal action in accordance with law to safeguard public interest and uphold constitutional integrity. — Staff Reporter

A PERFORMANCE at Lahore Fort during 'history by night tour' organised by Walled City of Lahore Authority. — White Star / Murtaza Ali

Interpol rejects govt's request to extradite Moonis Elahi

Cites lack of evidence in money laundering, murder and other cases

By Zulqernain Tahir

LAHORE: Interpol has rejected the Pakistan government's request to extradite former federal minister and senior PTI leader Moonis Elahi for 'want of evidence' against him in money laundering, murder and other allegations.

Mr Moonis has been living in Spain for about three years following the crackdown on Imran Khan's Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf (PTI) here.

Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi had been vigorously pursuing the extradition plea before Interpol and the Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) had furnished so-called evidence related to money laundering and other offences during the last couple of years with the Interpol.

Rejecting the Pakistan government's plea, the Interpol said: "The General Secretariat of International Criminal Police Organization – Interpol – hereby certifies that as of today Mr Moonis Elahi is not subject to an Interpol notice or diffusion."

A source in the FIA told this reporter that Interpol had dropped the investigation against Moonis for want of evidence against him. "Although the FIA had been pursuing this case for about two years, it appears that Interpol did not accommodate its stance because most cases were of political nature," he said.

Interestingly, Gujrat police implicated Moonis in a murder case that was used in the government's plea before Interpol. However, the local court withdrew arrest warrants and proclamation of him after the case turned out to be false, which helped Moonis prove the government's malafide stance.

A counsel for Moonis Amir Rawn told Dawn that the Interpol cleared his client of all baseless charges framed by the PML-N government after a thorough fact-finding probe. "The Interpol's clean chit has proved that all allegations ranging from murder to money laundering and fraud to corruption were politically motivated against Moonis," he said and added the Elahi family had been victimised for staying loyal to Imran Khan. "Moonis Elahi deserves an apology from the Pakistani authorities for targeting him through fake cases," he said and added that the Elahi family had faced relentless targeting since the PML-N returned to power.

"Moonis has been vocal in criticising the PML-N regime, especially Mohsin Naqvi and Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz, making him a prime target. The ruling party's use of fake cases, arrests, and coercive measures against opposition figures reflects a broader strategy to suppress dissent," he said and added the case in point serves as a stark reminder of the dangers of weaponising state institutions against political opponents.

Interior ministry spokesperson Qadir Yar Tiwana did not comment on Dawn's query in this regard.

Pakistan may 'deport' Indian Sikh woman to return on spouse visa

LAHORE: An Indian Sikh pilgrim, who had come here to attend the birth anniversary of Guru Nanak, married a Muslim man of Sheikhupura.

Sarabjeet Kaur, 48, was among 2,000 Sikh pilgrims who had entered Lahore via Wagah border from India early this month to attend the festivities related to the birth anniversary of Guru Nanak, the founder of Sikh religion, at Gurdwara Janamasthan, Nankana Sahib. On Nov 13, the visiting Indian Sikhs returned to their country but Ms Kaur had gone missing. Later, it transpired that she had contracted marriage with Nasir Hussain of Sheikhupura district, a day after her arrival on Nov 4. When the pilgrims went to Nankana Sahib the same day, Kaur skipped the gathering and reached Sheikhupura along with Hussain.

Sheikhupura District Police Officer Bilal Zafar told *Dawn* that Sarabjeet Kaur married a Muslim man.

"The couple has gone into hiding and police are searching for them," he said, ruling out the chance that the couple was in the custody of an intelligence agency.

Ms Kaur was given a Muslim name, Noor, before the *nikah* ceremony.

In a video clip circulating on social media, she said she knew Nasir Hussain for the last nine years through social media.

"I am a divorcee and wanted to marry Hussain; therefore, I came here for the purpose," she said.

In the court of judicial magistrate Muhammad Khalid Mahmood Warraich, Sarabjeet Kaur denied that she was abducted.

"I happily married Hussain," she said and added she brought nothing from India. She alleged after marriage, some people entered the house of her husband and misbehaved with them. "They threatened to register a false case against us," Kaur alleged and urged the Pakistan government to provide her and her husband with security.

An official told *Dawn* that the Shiromani Sikh Gurdwara Parbhandhak Committee's own policy did not allow a single woman to come to Pakistan for pilgrimage alone and it had violated its own policy.

"Sarabjeet Kaur had come here alone. It should be investigated by the Indian authorities as to why she was allowed to travel to Pakistan alone," he said and added that the authorities here did not want to restrict the movement of visiting pilgrims and the responsibility of slipping of Ms Kaur here lay with the Indian gurdwara apex body.

The official said Kaur might be deported back to India.

"She may be asked to come back here on a spouse visa," he added. — **Zulqernain Tahir**

Two youngsters injured as swing collapses in Bahawalpur

By Our Correspondent

BAHAWALPUR: Two youngsters suffered injuries when a swing broke at an amusement park in Bahawalpur on Saturday.

According to Rescue 1122, a group from the Superior Science School, Multan were visiting a local amusement park called the SS World Park near the Seraiki Chowk in Bahawalpur.

They said that three youngsters of the group were taking a ride on the carriage swing, when they fell from it.

Of them, Yawar (20) and Abdullah (16) were injured as a result. The injured were provided first aid by the rescuers on the scene.

Air quality continues to deteriorate across Punjab

Lahore retains the most polluted city title for fourth consecutive day

By Imran Gabol

LAHORE: Punjab's air quality continued to deteriorate on Saturday with its capital being ranked as the most polluted city of the world for the fourth consecutive day with thick smog blanketing major areas, reducing visibility and posing serious health risks for residents.

According to the data from IQAir, an air quality monitoring platform, Lahore's Air Quality Index (AQI) soared to a staggering 'hazardous' level of 577 in the early hours of the day, once again ranking it as one of the most polluted cities in the world. The provincial capital was ranked second after improvement in its air quality on the global pollution index in the evening.

The AQI of other stations in Lahore at 8pm were recorded at 448 at Phase 8 DHA, 342 at Gurumangat Road and AC Office Shalimar Complex Wahga at 305.

Other major cities in Punjab also reported hazardous conditions. In Gujranwala, particulate matter levels soared to 632, far exceeding safe limits. Similarly, Sialkot recorded an AQI of 462, indicating extremely poor air quality and prompting renewed concerns over public health.

As smog casts a pall over the cities turning the sun into a faint, orange disc, environmental experts have warned that prolonged exposure to such high pollution levels can lead to respiratory illnesses, eye and throat irritation, and long-term health complications. Authorities continued to urge residents to limit outdoor activities, wear masks, and take precautionary measures as smog conditions persist across the region.

Meanwhile, the Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) forecasted dry weather in most districts of Punjab, however, cold and dry weather, with very cold during the mornings and nights, is likely in Kashmir, Murree and Galliyat. It also warned that smog could further develop over a few plain areas of Punjab.

Earlier, a smog awareness campaign was launched in Lahore and masks were distributed among citizens at China Chowk. The campaign was launched by Nawaz Sharif Lovers group Chairperson Uzma Aamir Butt. The participants also appealed to the citizens to conduct emission tests of their vehicles and not come out of their houses without wearing masks.

Meanwhile, Punjab police carried out an anti-smog operation and registered 28 cases against violators and arrested them from various districts, including Lahore, during the last 24 hours.

Punjab Police spokesperson said that during the operations, fines amounting to Rs915,000 were imposed on 499 individuals, and 44 people were issued warnings. A total of 26 violations of crop residue burning, 227 violations by smoke-emitting vehicles, and five violations related to brick kilns were reported.

CORRIGENDUM

(Reference: Tender for Repair and Reconstruction/Rehabilitation of Boundary Wall and Installation of Main Gate at Gulistan e Johar uploaded on 03-11-2025 and Tender Notice published on 07-11-2025 in Newspapers "Dawn" and "Jang")

In accordance with Section 11 of the Bidding Documents, the following amendments are hereby made:

1. Amendment to Section 5 – **Opening and Evaluation of Tender:** The bids must be submitted via E-Pads on or before 26th November 2025(Wednesday) by 12:00 PM, and the bids opening will take place on the same day at 12:30 PM.

2. Amendment to Section 22 – **Scope of Work:** In addition to the construction of the boundary wall at the premises of Gulistan e Johar, the construction of a retaining wall shall also be included in the scope of work.

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Note: All other terms and conditions of the bidding documents shall remain unchanged.

Toufique Ahmed
Assistant Collector (1IQs)

Agri assets of Imran's sister come under PLRA scanner

BoR asks DCs to find out mutation of any property of Aleema

By Mansoor Malik

LAHORE: The Punjab government has begun investigations and scrutinising the ownership of agricultural properties as well as of any property in the name of Aleema Khanum, sister of incarcerated PTI founder chairman Imran Khan.

The Board of Revenue, Punjab, has issued instructions to all deputy commissioners in the province to find out and inform the court about any mutation of ownership of any property in the name of Aleema Khanum.

Similarly, the Punjab Land Record Authority (PLRA), which is under the administrative control of the BoR, has also begun scrutinising the ownership of agriculture properties, if any, in the ownership of accused Aleema Khanum.

The Punjab government is scrutinising Aleema's properties on the direction of the Anti-Terrorism Court No. 1, Rawalpindi, which is hearing a case against Aleema Khanum in case FIR No. 3393 registered with the Sadiqabad police station, Rawalpindi, on Nov 27, 2024, in the Nov 26 protest case.

The BoR has issued directions to all deputy commissioners in the province to find out and submit lists of properties in the name of Aleema Khanum. The DCs have been told that the matter was of top priority and most urgent.

While the ATC Judge Amjad Ali Shah had passed the order to scrutinise Aleema's properties on Nov 6 and sought details until Nov 10, the BoR could issue the instructions to the deputy commissioners on Nov 10 and this letter came in public domain on Saturday.

ATC Judge Mr Shah's direction to the Punjab government stated, as reported in the letter sent to all deputy commissioners: "A further letter be issued to the Director General, PLRA Lahore asking him to submit a list of agriculture properties, if any in the ownership of accused Aleema Khanum. A letter was issued to the Senior Member, Board of Revenue, Punjab, asking him to inform the court about any mutation of ownership of any property in the name of accused Aleema Khanum. They all are directed to do the needful by submitting the said lists to the court till Nov 10, 2025."

Aleema Khanum has been meeting his incarcerated Imran Khan in the Adiala Jail and was a primary source to deliver her brother's messages to people through media.

The ATC Rawalpindi had last month ordered confiscation of Aleema's CNIC and passport and directed authorities concerned to freeze her bank accounts in connection with the Nov 26 protest case.